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KOREAN DENIES AN ACCORD ON EX-ENVOY'S TESTIMONY

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WASHINGTON, April 9—A spokesman for the South Korean Embassy denied Sunday that his Government had agreed to grant the House ethics committee access to former Ambassador Kim Dong Jo.

The committee wants to question Mr. Kim because he is alleged to have passed out cash-filled envelopes to American Congressmen. While denying a report, published in The New York Times Sunday morning, that an agreement had been reached, the embassy spokesman declined to comment on whether negotiations for such access were taking place between South Korean officials and representatives of the ethics committee, which is investigating allegations that members of Congress took money from South Korean agents.

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The South Korean spokesman repeated his Government's position that Mr. Kim enjoys diplomatic immunity from such proceedings and that making him available would be "an unprecedented action."

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